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Summary: The Van Nuvs Neighborhood Council strongly supports CF 12-1549S12 (Ryu/Harris-Dawson) to study, and hopefully construct a Permanent Supportive Housing facility at 15314 W. Dickens Street, (Department of Transportation Lot #762 and an adjacent property owned by the California Department of Transportation), and a Crisis and Bridge Housing "A Bridge Home" facility at 5161 Sepulveda Boulevard, (owned and/or occupied by the United States Department of the Army.) The Van Nuys Neighborhood Council understands the need to house those who are currently homeless and that the vast majority of those who are currently homeless in Los Angeles County are people are who lived here before becoming homeless and who are in the circumstances they are in because of economic reasons, not because they suffer from mental health and/or substance abuse issues, but the longer they remain on the streets without reliable shelter or support, the more likely they are to develop such issues. Van Nuys is more than willing to do its part to help address the homelessness crisis, but we and the handful of other communities that have stood up to do the right thing cannot and should not have to do it alone. We commend CM Ryu for his courage and leadership in dealing with this pressing issue and encourage our neighbors and colleagues on the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council to do the same. If we are not here to help those in need, why bother enduring the slings, arrows and multi-hour meetings we as Neighborhood Council Board Member do? http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2012/12-1549s12 mot 08-03-2018.pdf http://www.laist.com/2018/06/19/la explained homelessness.php